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Tom Simonite
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RE: PUBLIC RECORDS REQUEST of February 05, 2019, Reference # S000104-020919

Dear Tom Simonite:

Thank you for your interest in Washington County Sheriff's Office public records. Your request was received in this office on 2/5/2019 and given the reference number S000104-020919 for tracking purposes.

We understand that you are requesting:

WIRED requests all records related to Rekognition created on or after May 1, 2018, including but not limited to:

1. Communications between any representative of the Sherriff's Office and any representative of Amazon.
2. Materials that describe how Rekognition functions, including e-mails, handouts, PowerPoint presentations, advertisements, or specification documents.
3. Policies, procedures, or manuals governing the use of Rekognition or any related applications, or the use, sharing or access to any related data.
4. Training materials governing the use of Rekognition or any related service or application by employees of the Sheriff's Office.
6. Records referencing the mobile application for facial recognition built on Rekognition service, as discussed in WCSO Policy 808.
7. Records of any discussion regarding the Rekognition service or related applications, including meeting agendas or minutes, analyses, or communications between the Sheriff's Office and elected leaders or county officials.
8. Records describing or summarizing the Sheriff's Office's facial recognition database, previously stated by Amazon to contain 30,000 mugshots, including counts of photos or individuals, demographic information, and other particulars.

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is being made for newsgathering purposes. There is a strong public interest in law enforcement use of technology, and this request is being made by a news organization, WIRED, with a twenty-five year track record of covering new technologies and their effects on society. As such, WIRED

requests that any fees assessed are waived. In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request.

I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

In accordance with Oregon Public Records law (ORS 192.324(2)), the County is acknowledging receipt of your written request for records. Having reviewed your request, the County is able to inform you that:

The Sheriff's Office is still processing your request which requires contact with other departments to determine if the record is releasable. We will contact you within thirty (30) days with an update on your request.

Sincerely,

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